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The Trans-Mississippi Congress.

The resolutions adopted by the trans-Mississippi commercial congress cover the questions that were presented to that body in a way altogether clear and creditable. Everything proceeded in good spirit. If at the close there was a slight flurry over the two resolutions offered by Mr. Bryan tt was soon ended. And if a bit of politics showed itself in the flurry it should be remembered that Mr. Bryan spells nothing but politics. Wherever he is there is politics also. There was as good ground for accusing him on that score as his opponents. His resolutions were well passed. Everybody is for peace-until a fight becomes necessary, and the fight against trusts has advanced beyond the resolution

The deliverance of the congress on the subject of the Monroe doctrine is this:

and devotion to the Monroe doctrine as enunciated by its author, James Monroe, in 1823, when President of the United States, and as reiterated by Grover Cleveland in his Venezuelan message of 1895, and as again stated at this session of the trans-Mississippi congress by Elihu Root, Secretary of State, after his tour of the South American republies.

South American republics.

"The interpretation of the Monroe doctrine by the trans-Mississippi commercial congress is that the people of the United States are unalterably opposed to any European government acquiring any additional territory or jurisdiction in the western between the control of the control

Mr. Root's speech had laid the foundation the professor-were not intended to do so. He will retain his opinion of the Monroe doctrine, and is welcome to it. But Europe will see where practical, business America stands on the proposition; and which rule America come from the sources represented by this congress they will pardon and forget the words spoken at the

But meeting and "resoluting" will not carry the day so far as Central and South American trade is concerned. An honored bellef in this country is that "business is ing the foundations for a favor. He is an business." Such is the truth. We must put extraordinary man who can read so many our words into deeds. We must do something. We know where the trade is, and tice and safety the right thing in so many Mr. Root, after a personal inspection of the different applications. If he yields too far situation, gives his opinion as to what and too often he acquires the fatal reputashould be done to secure it. Now for or- tion of being an easy thing, while if he ganization and action, either on that line, stands too much upon suspicion and holds with good authority, that the Yankee is a lar sympathy. People come to regard him business man from the ground up, and re- as "a cold proposition," and his usefulness foices in a test of his quality. Two tests is impaired. are now at hand-one in the southern part At Albany, therefore, Mr. Hughes, a of this hemisphere, and the other in the new and inexperienced man, will need good orient-and our rivals are the alert of the

A greater than this trans-Mississippi congress is the American Congress, and that body, either this coming winter, or the following winter, should address itself to so important a question.

New York State's Race Winnings.

The annual reports of state officials usually make dull reading and are seldom productive of news items. But in the formal prove interesting to the good people of that opposed to horse racing. Last summer the commissioner decided to offer purses in races run on the grand circuit at the \$31,410, his idea being to increase attendance. His accounting of the results of this venture shows that it as not a bad investment for the state. To offset the purses, the commissioner drew \$28,267 in race entries and \$2,970 from the National Trotting Association in fees, etc., leaving a balance on the wrong side of the ledger of \$173. But this is only an apparent loss, for the state earned \$16,000 from grand stand and paddock fees and thus came out or the season a winner to the tune of \$15,827, which goes into the treasury along with the taxes and other revenues. Already storm signals are flying and it is expected that this item will be made the subject of a vigorous campaign at Albany this winter on the part of those who do not agree with the policy of state participation in races for prizes. It certainly looks like a picayune business for a sovereign state.

The fate of his resolutions in the commercial congress will tend to convince Bryan that any of his good ideas must be put into practice by the administration.

The President may, on his return, find in the dismissal of the colored troops a topic that is mementarily almost as interesting as Panama canal construction.

The Leader Again Leads.

It is Mr. Bryan's firm belief that he is the leader of the democratic party, and he permits few weeks to pass without addressing the party as to some feature of its duty. Now it is one thing and now another, but always we have the Bryan

The latest deliverance relates to 1908. and how the battle should be fought. Here is a paragraph which will surprise some

"There will be no contest in the national rhere will be no contest in the national convention of 1908 on platform. The party will be drawn up solidly against the encroachments of predatory wealth. And its position will be clear and explicit on all the issues ripe for settlement; but the orplatform. We cannot fight upon a moral plane with an immoral organization; we cannot appeal to the conscience of the country with a conscienceless crowd in control of the party machinery."

No contest on the platform? Does this mean that Mr. Bryan will not present his railroad proposition? If that is brought forward there will undoubtedly be a contest, and one more violent than even free silver ever produced. There are democrats shotted to the lips against government ownership and operation of railroads. And what about silver? Has Mr. Bryan dropped that? Is there to be no expression on the financial issue? Does Mr. Bryan really believe that a mere war whoop against predatory wealth will suffice for the democracy, and is he willing to let the platform go at that?

But hear him further:

THE EVENING STAR. sire to help they will not force themselves into the foreground, and if they do, the party ought to thwart their purpose." Now this calls for specifications, although

it would greatly embarrass Mr. Bryan if thinks that Mr. Taggart should be sent to as well without so much gilt and polish. the rear, while Mr. Taggart is certain that Mr. Hearst is a great injury to the party. George Fred Williams, and is himself in furnish plainer cars for the accomturn distrusted by the Williams people. Mr. Bryan wants Roger Sullivan deposed from the democratic national committee, but the Illinois democrats demur. And so it goes. Separating the sheep from the goats is an combined circulation of the other Washassification is to govern. ington dailies. As a News and Adver-It is easy to understand Mr. Bryan when

ne pronounces the Parker campaign "a He made it very clear at St. Louis that ney, are accustomed to patronize secondhe had no sympathy with either the candidate or the candidate's sponsors, and that he yielded to the convention's work only to be regular. Time has not shaken his opinion, and he speaks thus early against the influences that then prevailed in order that his friends may be, as he is, on guard. But can he get along without the east any better now than in 1896 and 1900, or than Judge Parker did in 1904? For, in Mr. Bryan's vocabulary, Wall street means the

Hughes at Albany.

The question of a kitchen cabinet for Charles E. Hughes is under discussion in New York. He is wholly inexperienced in politics, and in a state where politics is a mixture of bunco and fine art, and players of the game are very expert, the value to an official of having a knowing friend or two close by for purposes of counsel and Hughes' ability there is no doubt. But it is the ability of a lawyer who has given his whole time to his profession. Of his character and purposes there is no doubt. He knows what reforms are needed, and he "We renew and emphasize our approval | intends to bring them about if possible. But

Reference is made to Mr. Cleveland when he took the reins at Albany, and when Daniel Manning and other veteran politicians rendered the new official important service. But the two cases are not exactly parallel. Mr. Cleveland, while new to state affairs, had had some experience in local politics, for these sentiments, and they go to the came governor of New York. His failure root of the matter, leaving the views of at the bar had thrown him upon politics. Prof. Burgess very lonesome and unrepre- and his one term as sheriff of Erie county sentative indeed. They will not convert and another term as mayor of Buffalo had taught him the way around in executive office. \. hile doubtless he profited from the suggestions of Mr. Manning and others, he knew a thing or two himself about politics and politicians, and what this, that, or when the Europeans reflect that the votes the other fellow meant by this, that, or the

A high official, like the President of the United States, or the governor of a state, lives somewhat in a fool's paradise. Everybody approaches him with a jolly on his lips. Nearly every caller wants something, and by his address and assurances is layvisitors accurately, and determine with jus-

counsel, and the success of his administration will depend in a measure on the wisdom he displays in choosing his advisers.

Root and Taft.

That-was a handsome compliment Secretar Root paid Secretary Taft in Cincinnati last night. And no handsomer than sincere, and no sincerer than deserved. The Ohio member of the cabinet is "one of the biggest and one of the best all-around men in the world." He has made good in every statements of the New York state agri- place to which he has so far been called, cultural commissioner to the governor, just and whether he goes higher or not will filed, is a bit of information which will not interfere with the fame he has already acquired. That is secure. The brethren at commonwealth, particularly those who are Mr. Roosevelt's official table dwell together not only in unity and peace, but in a sort of sweetness and light. No jealousies are manifested. Mr. Lincoln's trials of state fair in September, amounting to that kind have not come to Mr. Roosevelt, and it is not likely that they will. New York and Ohio in the cabinet of forty-odd years ago-or, in other words, Seward and Chase-made Mr. Lincoln almost as unhappy as did the leaders of the southern confederacy.

> Mr. Hughes' determination to be free from the influence of bosses is praiseworthy. There is every hope that he will be more fortunate than many another official who has started with that same intention.

> Mr. Smoot might, if he chose, assume superior expression and declare that even the Mormons never went so far as to advocate trial marriages

The colored soldiers who have been discharged now regard President Roosevelt's Thanksgiving proclamation as something of an irony.

Maxim Gorky may feel tempted to quote the Caruso incident as another example of the uncouthness of this country.

Murphy may be more or less annoyed, but he has not said anything about being

willing to serve in the Tammany ranks. With meat, pickles and confectionery un-

der suspicion, the public may yet have to subsist on breakfast food.

Regulate the Pullman Rates.

A demand is heard from one end of the country to the other for an inquiry by the Interstate Commerce Commission into the reasonableness of the rates charged by the Pullman Car Company, which is now placed under the jurisdiction of that body through the new railway rate law. The recent anstock at a face value of \$26,000,000 and an actual value to the holders of \$65,000,000 in lieu of extra dividends has directed public attention pointedly to this corporation as a tremendous profit maker, and the conviction has been deepened that it is charging an exorbitant rate for its accommodations. People are beginning to take out their pencils and do a little figuring, and they are easily reaching the reliable conclusion that a corporation that can make money so rapidly and has furthermore so tight a monopoly in its field is sand-bagging the traveling public.

Sleeping cars are no longer to be regarded as luxuries. Time was when a traveler thought twice before engaging a berth on a "sleeper." Nowadays he considers his railroad sleeping accommodations in the light of a necessity as urgent as his hotel room or his meals. Thus the business has room or his meals. Thus the business has greatly increased but the rates have not been lowered. They are just as high as ever, and the company is reaping an even have been secured from the census of 1810. greater percentage of profit. When cor-

representing expenditures in luxurious outfitting to meet a supposed public require-ment. This claim is unfounded. The traveling public would infinitely prefer plainer sleeping cars and lower rates. The the call were made upon him. Mr. Hearst average railroad traveler would sleep just

some people for elegant equipments, the Mr. Hearst has his opinion likewise of Pullman Company should be required to of those with short purses who cannot easily afford to pay the high prices for this service now charged. There are all grades of hotels in this country. There should be at least two grades of railroad sleeping cars, one for those who prefer and can afford to pay for silk hangings and carved mahogany, and another for those who can be entirely happy with plain furtep backward," and a Wall street maneuver. | nishings and who, at the end of their jourclass hotels.

Even the luxuries that the Pullman Company of its own will offers and compels the public to take or leave do not warrant the prevailing scale of rates, as the dividends and extra stock issues clearly prove. The fact is plain that this trust is making too fast to square with the principle upon which the new based, and the sooner it is brought under based, and the sooner it is brought under subjection and forced to treat the public fairly the better pleased the country will be with its experiment in railroad rate

The ice having been broken, it may become customary for presidents to journey about through remote possessions something after the fashion of an old-time royal prog-

If it were possible to arouse as much interest in questions of public economy as in a sensational police case the grafters would not stand so much show.

The terrorists in Russia are still devoting their attention to minor officials of whom no one this far away hears of until he has been dynamited.

The old-fashioned Thanksgiving sentiment manages to survive in spite of the exaggerated cost of turkeys and foot ball

It will be rather interesting when Croker and Murphy get together and try to bring the flush of shame to each other's cheeks.

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election serious; an' some men jes' likes

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"I have a book which I am sure will fill a long-felt want," said the writing man

"It won't do," answered the publishers "The books that sell most are those which everybody agrees should never have been

Weather Wistfulness.

I useter be a wishin' dat de summer time would stay

whole year 'round; but now I ain' a-feelin' dat-a-way. Dar ain't no sense in summer time a-hangin' 'round about,

Wif de butterflies all vanished an' de roses clean played out.

wants dat ol' thermometer to drop away I's got so desperate dat I almost wants to

shovel snow. ants dem lazy, hazy mists to go a-brush-

in' by. lemme see de stars all crisp an' crinkly

in de sky. keeps a longin' foh de cold. It does seem

kind o' strange: like a man dat wants a little trouble for a change.

I'd like to see dem window panes trimmed up wif frosty lace,

hear de norf wind once again come zippln' 'roun' de place!

An Injustice Consummated. From the Brooklyn Eagle.

In refusing to reconsider or to modify his decision in the case of the 25th Infantry the President consummated an act of injustice which, we think, he will yet live

justice which, we think, he will yet live long enough to regret.

His order dishonorably discharging three companies of colored troops becomes effective again, by his personal direction, after its wise suspension by Secretary Taft. The execution of it returns to private life a number of innocent men to whom the stigma of a dishonorable discharge will recommently attach. permanently attach.

stigma of a dishonorable discharge will permanently attach.

These men are ineligible for employment in any capacity by the federal government. They will be regarded with suspicion, if not with absolute distrust, by private agencies of employment from which the blight of their army record cannot be concealed. Their future is irremediably handicapped. And why? Because they are not able to furnish evidence of crimes committed by some of their associates, in which they had no share and of which they have no knowledge which would be regarded as admissible evidence in a court of law.

The incident is officially and legally closed. But it will never be morally closed, as long as the President's order stands on the army records, to the detriment of those who did no wrong.

Mutual Prosperity.

From the Indianapolis News. Quite true, Mr. Harriman, commercial interests are in a large measure dependent for their prosperity on the railroads, but the obligation is not entirely one-sided. What would the railroads do without the commercial interests? Really some con-siderations of this nature should affect the rate making. the rate making.

The Graft Capitol.

Count Boni has been called the champion spendthrift of all time, but some of our neighbors across Mason and Dixon's line are prepared to assert that he has formi-dable rivals in the Pennsylvania state capitol

Another Rebuke.

From the Denver Republican. No doubt Jimmy Hazen Hyde of Paris looks on the election of his inquisitor, Charles E. Hughes, as another personal

So Few? From the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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wish, are among our new importations In these days of the multiplicity of designs and tints there are many odd pieces that fit in har-moniously with the most elegant table sets, and they lend a graceful beauty to the rich china of

Some new effects in Turkey Platters are shown.

The new Japanese Chop Plates are very pretty. thin eggshell china, pure white, with handsom

The display of Cut Glass is always brilliant. A new Ice Cream Platter is in the dainty, feathery

The Celery Dishes are attractive, both in the

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